

February 21, 2017

Mr. Leonard Gabbidon [Address Omitted]

Dear Mr. Gabbidon:

This letter is in response to your General Services Administration (GSA) Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request (GSA-2017-00423) dated January 23, 2017, in which you requested the following:

"[c]opy of the payment and performance bond for freeland construction company inc, charleston sc. Purpose is to secure payment for several projects that i [sic] was not paid."

You clarified your request on January 24, 2017, through an email and telephone conversation with Beverly Bigham, GSA's FOIA Coordinator, Southeast Sunbelt Region. We now understand you are seeking the performance and payment bonds of Freeland Construction Company under contract GS-04P-15-EX-C-0012 for work performed on the fire alarm system at the J. Bratton Davis U.S. Bankruptcy Courthouse located in Columbia, SC.

Except as set forth below, we are enclosing the Payment Bond and Performance Bonds for Contract Number GS-04P-15-EX-C-0012 responsive to your request. In processing your request, we have withheld physical signatures in accordance with exemption (b)(6), relating to personal privacy, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6). This statute protects information about individuals which if released "would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy."

You have the right to appeal the partial denial of the information withheld under FOIA. To do so, you must write, within 90 days of your receipt of this letter, to the following address:

U.S. General Services Administration FOIA Requester Service Center (H1F) 1800 F St. NW, Room 7308 Washington, DC 20405

Your appeal must be in writing and contain a brief statement of the reasons why the withheld information should be released or the basis for challenging the adequacy of GSA's search of relevant files, stating reason(s) why GSA should have a copy of the requested records. Enclose

a copy of your initial request and a copy of this letter. Both the appeal letter and envelope should be marked prominently, "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

This completes our action on this release. Should you have any questions, please contact William Peterson at william.peterson@gsa.gov. You may also contact the GSA FOIA Public Liaison, Audrey Brooks, at (202) 205-5912 or by email at audrey.brooks@gsa.gov for any additional assistance and to discuss any aspect of your FOIA request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Sincerely,

Travis Lewis

FOIA Program Manager

Enclosures